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By ECF
The Honorable Dale E. Ho
United States District Judge
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. M/Y Amadea, No. 23-cv-9304 (DEH)

Dear Judge Ho:

I write on behalf of Plaintiff the United States of America (the "Government") to provide the Court with information relevant to the pending motion to dismiss the Government's Complaint. Claimants Eduard Khuadainatov and Millemarin Investments Ltd. (together, "Claimants") filed that motion on January 26, 2024. ECF No. 25. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 6.1(b), the Government's deadline to file an opposition to the motion was February 9, 2024. However, on February 9, the Government served Claimants with a set of special interrogatories pursuant to Rule G(6) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, and by so doing, stayed the deadline for opposing the motion until 21 days after Claimants respond to the interrogatories. Supp. R. G(6)(c). The Government also anticipates filing an Amended Complaint that will moot Claimants' pending motion before its response to that motion is due.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Claimants' responses to the interrogatories are due March 1, 2023. Supp. R. G(6)(b).

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